

Gateway to College High School
2017-2018 Student Expectation Agreement

We welcome you to our Gateway to College High School family and we are excited that you are here! In an effort to help students experience success at Polk State College Gateway to College High School, we have designed the following expectations for students to adhere to during the 2017-2018 school year. Have a great year!

Please initial next to each item to indicate that you have read and understand with its contents.

Academics:

_____ Students are expected to take full advantage of the learning opportunity by coming to class promptly and prepared with the necessary materials. Students are expected to contribute to a positive learning environment in high school and college courses alike.

_____ Course registration and withdrawals must be completed through the GHS office. Students withdrawing from college courses will be expected to pay for the course after the initial attempt of the course.

_____ Students are expected to participate in all school sponsored standardized testing for which they are required.

_____ Students must meet with and gain approval from Principal and/or Guidance Counselor PRIOR to enrolling in any Florida Virtual class unless they were already in it prior to beginning at Gateway to College.

_____ Principal and/or Guidance Counselor will make the final decision and determination on the acceptance of transfer credits at the time of student admission based on state procedures and guidelines.

Attendance:

_____ School attendance is mandatory in high school classes as well as college courses. Tardiness, skipping, and presence in unauthorized areas will result in disciplinary actions.

_____ Parents will need to contact the main office as notification to student absences when possible. Upon return to school, students please provide a written explanation of the absence.

_____ Gateway to College does not encourage students to participate in non-extracurricular activities that will take away from attendance to school (i.e., work). Although we cannot participation in these activities, most times this will cause students to get behind in class and make it hard to catch up with the loss of the presentation of material that physically being in class provides. Instructors will not be required to accept participation in an extracurricular activity as a valid excuse for missing class time or class assignments.

_____ Gateway to College reserves the right to approve/not approve time off from school due to attendance. It is strongly advised and recommended to get prior approval at least two weeks before it is known that the student may need to miss school (trips, vacation, etc.).

Discipline:

_____ Gateway to College High School will support an environment that is free from harassment and bullying. Students will be shown the highest level of respect and students are expected to demonstrate respect to all PSC, GHS faculty, staff, and students.

_____ Gateway to College High School also expects its students to dress appropriately and behave in a collegial manner at all times, be it in the high school or college setting. Gateway to College reserves the right to make the ultimate decision for what is considered to be acceptable dress for a student.

Extracurricular:

_____ All school sponsored meetings are mandatory, which includes students and parent attendance at the beginning of the school year orientation for each year the student is in the program. Other examples of school sponsored mandatory meetings are: Junior Meetings, Senior Meetings, and Student Conference with Guidance Counselor. Due to the rigor of this program, students are not encouraged to work an inordinate amount of hours, as it can negatively impact their academic performance.

Technology:

_____ Computers are the property of Gateway to College High School and should be used for the purpose of educational activity only.

_____ Students are not permitted to use cell phones for any reason during class except for at the instructor's discretion. In the event of an emergency in regards to phone access, please visit the GHS office.

STUDENT/PARENTAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:

We are aware of the contents of Polk State College Gateway to College High School's student expectation agreement. Compliance with the expectation agreement is mandatory. Failure to adhere to the stated expectations may result in removal from Gateway to College High School. Please feel free to contact the office at (863) 669-2322 if you have questions or concerns and we will do our best to serve you.

(Print Student Name)

(Student Signature)

(Print Parent/Guardian Name)

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